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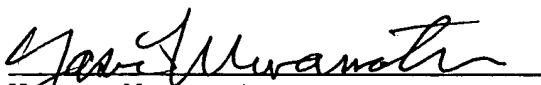
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Applicant respectfully requests that the prior art reference submitted herewith be considered in the substantive examination of this application.

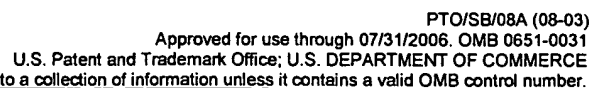
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